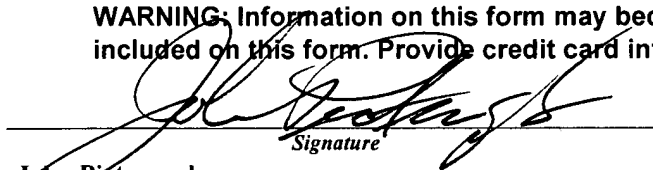
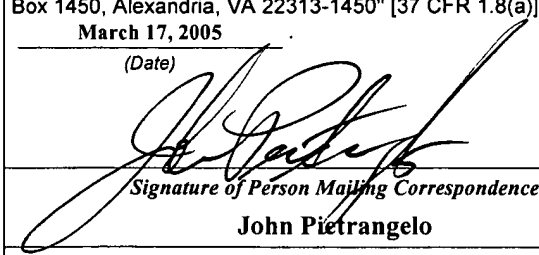
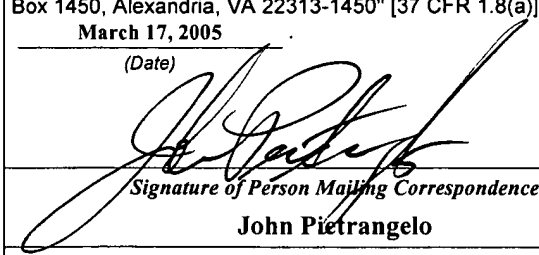
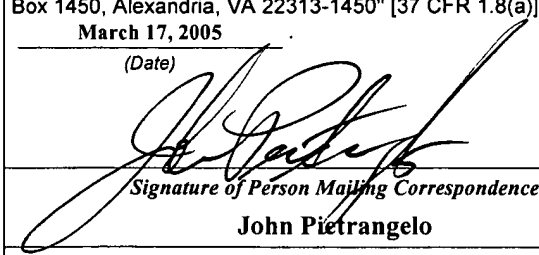
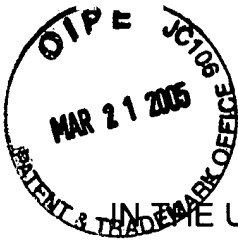


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| <b>Applicant(s):</b> Gardenier, et al.   |   |   |  |                                |                                 |  |  |  |  |   |  |
| <b>Application No.</b><br>10/656,012   | <b>Filing Date</b><br>09/05/2003            | <b>Examiner</b><br>Phillips, Charles E. | <b>Customer No.</b><br>23405   | <b>Group Art Unit</b><br>3751  | <b>Confirmation No.</b><br>8159 |  |  |  |  |   |  |
| <b>Invention:</b> A SOUND SYSTEM, A SPEAKER ASSEMBLY, AND A METHOD FOR PROVIDING SOUND FOR A SPA   |   |   |  |                                |                                 |  |  |  |  |   |  |
| <b>COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:</b>   |   |   |  |                                |                                 |  |  |  |  |   |  |
| Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.  |   |   |  |                                |                                 |  |  |  |  |   |  |
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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Introductory Comments

This Response to Notice of Non-compliant Amendment is being submitted in reply to the Notice mailed February 24, 2005 for the above-referenced application. Since this Response is being filed on or before March 24, 2005, this Response is being timely filed.

The pending claims appear in the **Listing of Claims** that begins on page 2 of this paper. **Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.